

# JACKIE LACEY LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

HALL OF JUSTICE 211 WEST TEMPLE STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 (213) 974-3600

September 13, 2016

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

42 September 13, 2016

LORI GLASGOW EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT TO CONTINUE THE STRATEGIES AGAINST GANG ENVIRONMENTS (SAGE) PROGRAM (FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

The District Attorney's Office (DA) is requesting approval to enter into an agreement by which the City of Paramount (CITY) will provide the DA \$115,000 to partially offset the cost of the Strategies Against Gang Environments (SAGE) Program for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. This program provides services to reduce gang violence through the use of various legal and law enforcement actions.

## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Authorize the District Attorney, or her designee, to, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles (COUNTY), sign an agreement with the CITY for the SAGE Program. The CITY will provide the DA with \$115,000 for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, which will partially offset the program cost. The total estimated program cost is \$291,934.
- 2. Authorize the District Attorney, or her designee, to, on behalf of the COUNTY, serve as Project Director for the SAGE Program. Execute and approve up to two one-year extensions to the Agreement at an annual cost to the CITY not less than the current \$115,000 contribution, and approve amendments and augmentations to any program goals, objectives, or budget revisions to the program, subject to the payment limitations in the Agreement.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors 9/13/2016 Page 2

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The SAGE Program abates street gang violence and narcotic-related activities by utilizing criminal nuisance abatement, forfeiture proceedings, informal interventions, technical assistance and other strategies deemed appropriate by the DA and the CITY.

# **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of the recommended actions is consistent with the Los Angeles County Strategic Plan Goal No. 1, Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability: maximize the effectiveness of the County's processes, structure, operations, and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-oriented and efficient public services; and Strategic Plan Goal No. 3, Integrated Services Delivery: maximize opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Funding for this program will be included in the Department's Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget. The estimated cost of the program is \$291,934 for the period covering July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The CITY is providing \$115,000 for Fiscal Year 2016-17 to partially offset the salary and employee benefits of the Deputy District Attorney (DDA) assigned to the program. If the Agreement is extended, the annual cost in each subsequent year shall be based on the actual compensation level of the DDA assigned to the program with the CITY's contribution to be not less than the current \$115,000.

If funding for this Agreement is terminated, an evaluation will be conducted to determine whether the program will either be continued with costs absorbed by the Department or discontinued with the reallocation of staff to a vacant budgeted position.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This Agreement will provide the services of one DDA to the CITY for this purpose. All services provided shall be consistent with the laws of the State of California, County of Los Angeles, the City of Paramount, and all guidelines of the District Attorney's Office. The DDA assigned to this program works closely with the County of Los Angeles Sheriff Department's Special Assignment Officers, Juvenile Probation Officers, Adult Probation Officers, Parole Agents, Public Safety Officers, Section 8 Housing Authorities and school officials. Efforts have been concentrated on gang tracking, juvenile intervention, truancy, criminal nuisance abatement and training for law enforcement, public safety officials/officers, and community members. Additionally, the DDA tracks cases which includes reviewing police reports by the Sheriff's Department and other law enforcement agencies, assisting with investigations and filings and appearing in court to ensure proper handling and disposition of cases.

The DDA has created a protocol for the collection of restitution to the CITY for emergency response costs in driving under the influence and vandalism cases. A process for reimbursement was established involving the courts, DDAs, law enforcement officers, and public safety personnel. Restitution to the CITY has increased significantly. Additionally, the DDA continues to participate in teaching Legal Enrichment and Decision-Making (LEAD) and sits as a member of the Student

The Honorable Board of Supervisors 9/13/2016 Page 3

Attendance Review Board (SARB) for the Paramount Unified School District.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This program does not propose attorney staff augmentation. Therefore, the District Attorney's Office is not subject to the Board motion of December 15, 1998, requiring clearance with the Alternate Public Defender, Public Defender, Probation and Sheriff's Departments.

### CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return two copies of the adopted Board letter to Ms. Melanie Rubio, Grants and Contracts Services Section, County of Los Angeles District Attorney's Office, 211 West Temple Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California 90012-3205. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Rubio at (213) 257-2803, or at mrubio@da.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

Jachin Kacuz

JACKIE LACEY

**District Attorney** 

mr

**Enclosures** 

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors Chief Executive Officer County Counsel

# Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office Grant Management Statement for Grants \$100,000 or More

Grant Management Statement for Grants \$100,000 or More									
Department:	Department: DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE								
Grant Project T	itle and Description	on STRAT	EGIES AGAINST GANG E	GANG ENVIRONMENTS (SAGE) PROGRAM - CITY OF PARAMOUNT					
The SAGE Program in the City of Paramount (CITY) abates street gang violence and narcotic-related activities by utilizing criminal nuisance abatement, forfeiture proceedings, informal interventions, technical assistance and other strategies deemed appropriate by the District Attorney's Office and the CITY. Efforts have been concentrated on gang tracking, juvenile intervention, truancy, criminal nuisance abatement and training fo law enforcement, public safety officials/officers, and community members.									
Funding Agency				Prog	Grant Acceptance Deadline				
CITY OF PARAMOUNT				(Fed. Grant #/State Bill or Code #)  N/A		N/A			
Total Amount o	f Grant Funding:	\$115,000		County Match:	\$0			***************************************	
Grant Period	ant Period Begin Date: July 1, 2016			End Date:	June 30, 2017				
Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant Full Time:				1	Part Time:	0			
Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires									
Will all personne	Yes	<u>X</u>	No						
Will all personne Is the County ob	Yes Yes	<u>X</u>	No No	X					
•	165		INO						
If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:  a.) Absorb the program cost without reducing other services					Yes		No	X	
b.) Identify other revenue sources (describe below)					Yes		No	X	
c.) Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant.					Yes	_X_	No		
Impact of additio	nal personnel on e	xisting space:		Plan Western State	1.00				
None				2					
Other requirement	nts not mentioned	above:							
None									

Je achino Kan

**Department Head Signature** 

Date 8/22 [16